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Dear Ms. Dixon:

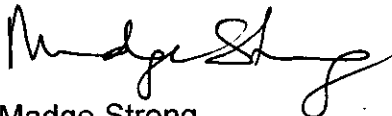
1 The proposed Yucca Mountain repository is an unsafe and unacceptable "solution" to disposing of high-level nuclear waste.

Despite the relative stability of the rock, there has already been rain seepage into the test holes. It is my understanding that water will compromise the long-term safety of the stored waste, not to mention it seeping into other aquifers. Moreover, there are fault lines through the site. These are not promising prospects for storing high-level waste with a half-life of 20,000 years!

2 At our current state of technology, monitored retrievable above-ground storage appears more reliable than attempting an underground "permanent" repository, not to mention avoiding the risks of transporting high-level wastes.

3 We should *stop producing wastes* for which we have no disposal solution, and we should *not* put them out-of-sight in Yucca Mountain!

Sincerely,



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